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9:00 A.M. SEP 22 2011

Penny Woods
Bureau of Land Management
1340 Financial Boulevard
P.O. Box 12000
Reno, Nevada 89502

Dear Ms. Woods,

As Executive Vice President of KB Home Nevada, I appreciate this opportunity to support the Bureau of Land Management's proposed action as the preferred alternative for the groundwater project. We feel that the Southern Nevada Water Authority should be granted rights-of-way in order to utilize the water resources in all six basins in its Groundwater Development Project.

As one of the largest homebuilders in the state, KB Homes is an active member of Nevada's business community. We pride ourselves on contributing to the quality of life in Southern Nevada by providing homes to Nevada families. However, our quality of life could suffer quite dramatically if we don't have water supply options available to the community, particularly during periods of shortage.

Currently, southern Nevada depends on the Colorado River for almost all of its drinking-water needs. As drought conditions continue to impact Colorado River snow pack and water flows, it is imperative that local water managers diversify the community's water resource options. Having a diverse selection of available water supplies will provide greater protection from future drought, and unknown implications from expected climate variation. The project will allow current and future resources to be more responsibly managed.

The prospect of securing a reliable water supply for an area in need, from an area where water is available should not be seen as controversial, it is simply a matter of an unused resource being put to beneficial use. For that reason, I fully support the Southern Nevada Water Authority's applications for rights-of-way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob McGibney', written over a horizontal line.

Rob McGibney
Executive Vice President
KB Home Nevada